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Families, Seniors and Human Services Committee
State of Michigan
State Capitol
P.O. Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear members of the Families, Seniors and Human Services Committee,

We are writing to you about HB 4041, legislation that would require a cash assistance program group's compliance with compulsory school attendance in order to receive assistance.

The Michigan Association of United Ways' Public Policy Committee can be supportive of this legislation so long as the following considerations are addressed:

- Assure there is educator input for student cases
- Add flexibility to manage special family circumstances
- Provide clarification of attendance requirement

We would be pleased to work with Senators and Representatives to help develop language in HB 4041 to address these considerations. We appreciate your attention to our input and look forward to working with you constructively to achieve effective policy supporting student success.

Sincerely,



Scott Dzurka
President and CEO

cc: The Honorable Al Pscholka